

The ILECs constitute a "natural monopoly," such that the cost of entry for full competition (meaning separate wiring, poles, and offices) is prohibitively high. But, as you know, competition and free markets provide the highest quality service at the lowest price for consumers, and should be encouraged whenever possible. It's in everyone's best interest (except perhaps for the ILECs) that you continue to promote competition in the broadband/DSL market by allowing access to ILEC facilities by other providers.